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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
REPRODUCING INFORMATION FROM
TWO TYPES OF OPTICAL DISKS
HAVING DISCRIMINATION MARKS
FORMED ALONG TRACKS THEREOF
**(Rule 1.53(b) Divisional
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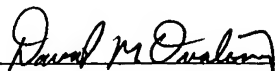
Sir:

Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the dates of priority under the International Convention of Japanese Patent Application No. 11-192759, filed July 7, 1999, and Japanese Patent Application No. 11-233816, filed August 20, 1999, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

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